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## **PATENT**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re application of               | )  |
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| James C. Smith                     | ) James N. Smalley<br>) Group Art Unit: 3727 |
| Serial No.: 10/623,933             | )  |
| Filed: July 21, 2003               | )  |
| For: CLOSURE DEVICE FOR CONTAINERS | )  |

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Box Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2006, applicant makes the following amendments and response. No new matter is introduced by the amendments. A Petition of Extension of Time is being filed with this response. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

SPECIFICATIONS: Amendments to the specifications begin on page 2 of this paper.

CLAIMS: Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 4 of this paper.

REMARKS: Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

DRAWINGS: Amendments to the drawing are reflected on the attached replacement sheets -- Page 8 of 11 and 9 of 11.

DISCLOSURE DOCUMENTS: Sealing Cap with Wiping Diaphragm for Reference
Disclosure Document 348943 dated Feb. 28, 1994
Disclosure Document 390080 dated Jan. 11, 1996